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Letter dated 24 March 2017 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith humanitarian and information bulletins from the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period 20-24 March 2017 (see annex).

I should be grateful if this letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (20 March 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation and international organizations

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has prepared humanitarian cargoes (food, basic supplies and medicine) for upcoming deliveries in Aleppo and Damascus governorates.

Russian airplanes parachuted 20.6 tons of humanitarian cargoes (food parcels) to the city of Dayr al-Zawr, which were received by the Syrian authorities through the United Nations.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (21 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, three ceasefire agreements have been signed with Anz, Sahwat al-Khidr and Dayr al-Laban in Suwayda' governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,365.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 has increased to 136.

The number of populated areas which the Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) remains unchanged at 189.

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 5.6 square kilometres. A total area of 3,340.6 square kilometres has been liberated.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported seven violations: five in Ladhiqiyah governorate and two in Damascus governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported 15 violations of the consolidated agreement in the following governorates: 5 in Aleppo, 4 in Damascus, 3 in Dar'a and 3 in Hama.

The Russian representative office has been unable to confirm all 15 violations during its investigations of the incidents.

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (21 March 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out seven humanitarian operations: six in Aleppo governorate and in Suwayda' governorate.

Residents of Qadi Askar, Inzarat, Shahba' al-Qadimah, Shaykh Maqsud and Firdaws districts in Aleppo city and Shahba' in Suwayda' governorate received 6 tons of bottled drinking water and 350 food parcels.

Children's backpacks with school supplies and children's toys were delivered to the Muhammad Jahiri School in the Zabdiyah district of Aleppo city.

Over the past 24 hours, 2,550 residents have received humanitarian assistance. In total, 8 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by international organizations

Russian airplanes parachuted 21 tons of humanitarian cargoes (food parcels) to the city of Dayr al-Zawr, which were received by the Syrian authorities through the United Nations.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (22 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, three ceasefire agreements have been signed with Tall Agharr and Aramtah in Homs governorate and Ayn al-Sawda' in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,368.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 136.

The number of populated areas which the Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) remains unchanged at 189.

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 2.3 square kilometres. A total area of 3,342.9 square kilometres has been liberated.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported six violations: three in Damascus governorate and three in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported 13 violations of the consolidated agreement in the following governorates: 7 in Damascus, 4 in Aleppo, 1 in Dar'a and 1 in Hama.

The Russian representative office has been unable to confirm all 13 violations during its investigations of the incidents.

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (22 March 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out four humanitarian operations: three in Damascus governorate and one in Aleppo governorate.

In Aleppo city, at the Hayrad School in Hananu district, residents received 1 ton of bread, 1,000 portions of hot food, as well as children's toys, sweets and warm clothing.

At Ma'lula and Qatana in Damascus governorate and the Russian cultural centre in Damascus city, 1.5 tons of food, 700 food parcels and 0.6 tons of children's food were distributed to residents.

Over the past 24 hours, 3,150 residents have received humanitarian assistance. In total, 7.9 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by international organizations

Humanitarian convoys of United Nations cargoes were sent from Ratma to Muta'iyah and Nawa in Dar'a governorate with the assistance of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides.

Russian airplanes parachuted 21 tons of humanitarian cargoes (food parcels) to the city of Dayr al-Zawr, which were received by the Syrian authorities through the United Nations.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (23 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, three ceasefire agreements have been signed with Buwaydan and Umm al-Qusur in Dar'a governorate and Dayrutan in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,371.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 remains unchanged at 136.

The number of populated areas which Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) since 1 January 2017 has increased to 193.

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 56 square kilometres. A total area of 3,398.9 square kilometres has been liberated.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported 17 violations in the following governorates: 7 in Damascus, 5 in Ladhiqiyah, 2 in Dar'a, 2 in Hama and 1 in Idlib.

The Turkish representative office has reported 10 violations of the consolidated agreement in the following governorates: 4 in Damascus, 4 in Hama and 2 in Dar'a.

The Russian representative office has been unable to confirm all 10 violations during its investigations of the incidents.

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (23 March 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out five humanitarian operations in Aleppo governorate.

In Aleppo city, 3.6 tons of bottled drinking water and 1 ton of stationery supplies and children's toys were distributed to residents of Bustan al-Qasr, Sukkari, Hananu, Bani Zayd and Ma'adi districts.

Over the past 24 hours, humanitarian assistance has been provided to 1,600 residents. In total, 4.6 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by international organizations

Russian airplanes parachuted 21 tons of humanitarian cargoes (food parcels) to the city of Dayr al-Zawr, which were received by the Syrian authorities through the United Nations.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (24 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, three ceasefire agreements have been signed with Hafir al-Fawqa in Damascus governorate and with Janinah and Ariqah in Suwayda' governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,374.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 136.

The number of populated areas which Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) since 1 January 2017 remains unchanged at 193.

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 1 square kilometre. A total area of 3,399.9 square kilometres has been liberated.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported 15 violations in the following governorates: 6 in Damascus, 6 in Ladhiqiyah, 2 in Hama and 1 in Dar'a.

The Turkish representative office has reported 15 violations of the consolidated agreement in the following governorates: 7 in Hama, 3 in Damascus, 3 in Idlib, 1 in Dar'a and 1 in Aleppo.

The Russian representative office has been unable to confirm all 15 violations during its investigations of the incidents.